

## INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON FOR TODAY.

**Topic: The Twelve Sent Forth**  
GOLDEN TEXT:—Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he send forth laborers into his harvest. Matt. 9:37, 38.

Scripture Lesson: Matthew 10: 43, 29-31, 37-42.

1. These twelve Jesus sent forth, and charged them, saying, Go not into any city of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. And as ye go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons: freely ye received, freely give.

29 Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? and not one of them shall fall on the ground without your Father: 30 but the very hairs of your head are all numbered. 31 Fear not therefore: ye are of more value than many sparrows.

37 He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. 38 And he that doth not take his cross and follow after me, is not worthy of me. 39 He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it.

40 He that receiveth you receiveth me, and he that receiveth me receiveth him that sent me. 41 He that receiveth a prophet in the name of a prophet shall receive a prophet's reward: and he that receiveth a righteous man in the name of a righteous man shall receive a righteous man's reward. 42 And whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold water only, in the name of a disciple, verily I say unto you, he shall in no wise lose his reward.

**Introduction.**  
In Matthew's account the lesson text immediately follows the Scripture of the GOLDEN TEXT. The sending of the twelve was in the early spring of probably A. D. 29, but the place of appointment is unknown. The place of preaching was throughout Galilee. It occurred on the third preaching tour of Jesus in Galilee, and they were sent within a specified territory for a limited time upon their first independent tour of evangelism. The work of the Kingdom has grown upon the Master until he can no longer do it alone. These in training must now help. Soon after Jesus had told the disciples to pray for laborers he sends them out and the Jews were to have in a better position to pray that prayer. In praying for a thing one must be willing to work at it.

**Lesson Study.**  
1. The Charge (verses 5-13). Twelve sent forth. The ones named in verses 24 and Mark notes that Jesus sent them in pairs, which would be for correction, supplement and strengthening. Two are always more than one. Every type of man can be used in still a greater way. The fishermen, doubting, retreating, confident, practical and all were used.

2. Go to Israel. They were better acquainted with one God. It would have aroused prejudice on the part of Jews, if they should have gone to the Gentiles. Jesus could see the growth of the gospel, and it would succeed best in just this way. The time for the Gentiles would come later, but as God's chosen people, the Jews were to have first opportunity. We may also consider whether these twelve were sufficiently strengthened and in love with the whole Kingdom program to even themselves include the Gentile who would present very bitter opposition to their message.

3. Preach. In this charge the message is given in plain terms. The long-looked-for Messiah has come. The Kingdom of Heaven is at hand. The first message of John and of Jesus must be carried on. Whatever else they did, they must not forget this is the central thing. Men must be brought to think in Kingdom terms. They must come and join in the work to which they have been pointed for many years past.

4. Heal, etc. Incidental to preaching, but expressive of the new power given them by their Master, they were to heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers and cast out demons. In helping the bodily needs of the people, there was proof of the truth of the spiritual blessings they proclaimed. As they were to deal with the three types mentioned, they were to be strengthened themselves to know that for the other work all is possible, and also to have a cure for all things in this sinful and bleeding world. With such power at their command, they could invite all to come and taste of the fruits of the gospel. And why not today? This same power is available, and when one has that faith and not only claims that power, but actually practices and uses it, the same wonders are performed. Just as God's grace is absolutely free, so this is to be done with no hope or expectation of remuneration. As the powers are a divine gift, so their works must be gratis.

5. The Cure (verses 29-31). Sparrows—hair of head. As ordinary men the twelve were to go, and not with any preacher's coat or with any of the surplus things of this world's needs. They were not to work for pay, but those who heard them were to give them a livelihood in order that they should give their best to their message. Need they worry that they would not be cared for? Here they

are assured that the smallest coin, probably about five-eighths of a cent, would buy two sparrows and not a one of them would die without the Father's knowledge. As he guards the smallest and most insignificant creatures, and as his care covers the smallest detail of the personal being, so there should be no undue thought of want. The hair of the head which is unthought of by the man, is full of meaning to God, and so "I know he watches me." As one of his Sunday school teachers or officers, or as his servant, to preach the gospel, just pause here—"Fear not"—we are assured that if these have this concern of our Father, in comparison how much more so is he concerned about us, as we are of so much more value to him.

6. The Cross (verses 37-39). Let us father or mother. To be his disciple under his watchful care is a supreme sacrifice in the believer's life is called for, and there can be no rival whatever. Even the love for those most dear in this world must not exceed the love for Christ. Nothing his absolute protection must be absolute first-place love. In the call for the taking up of the cross, one must be ready for persecution, and crucifixion if necessary, but under all circumstances to follow Jesus absolutely.

7. The Supremacy (verses 39-41). This supreme devotion is not asked needlessly, for if it is not made, one falls short of his best and of God's plan for him, and when it is made it is the only way to get above selfishness, and to find that life which is supreme consecration to Jesus leads to the highest ideal on earth or in Heaven. "No cross—No crown."

8. The Consolation (verses 40-42). There is no sacrifice made in this life if it brings its blessings, and now if that is true, what will be the joy for the days to come. A happier thought is here given for the mission, open hearts and open houses. The reward now is to be shared by those who receive and co-labor with those workers. What those who receive the servants is not for the sake of them, and they in receiving the servants really receive the Father. They are thus intimately identified. The work is so related and inter-related that the righteous man's reward goes likewise to his co-workers. Further still, any one who gives a cup of cold water to a believer, for no other reason than that he is a disciple of Christ, shall in no wise lose his reward. Certainly it is right to desire a reward hereafter and it is right to work for it. One properly related to the Kingdom and busily engaged at the task need not fear that anything can befall him but for God's glory, and must realize that his greatest enemy is self. The consolation that he will earn for us now and a greater reward awaits us hereafter should be sufficient.

**Lessons to Bear in Mind**  
1. Unlimited power is promised to the Lord Matt. 18:19.  
2. We all preach something as we go, but what?  
3. When we love Jesus most, we love our own more.  
4. There must be the proper motive in giving.  
5. "The Cross—The Crown."

**Lesson for next Sunday: "How Jesus was received" (Matthew 11:16; 12:19; 23:36; 12:14).**

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**Church of the Nazarene**  
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Morning services.  
Sunday School, 9:45. Roll, S. Morgan, superintendent. We give you a special invitation to come and bring someone with you, our Sunday school is open to all, and we heartily welcome all who are not interested elsewhere. You have a place with us; let it not be vacant Sunday morning.

Preaching, 11 a. m. Rev. Jas. N. Cooper, pastor.  
If you like the kind of preaching that will keep you interested and make you want to come again, you come and bring some one with you to hear Brother Cooper. Come, feeling that this service is for you. We are sure you will be glad that you come.

At night, devotional service will begin at 6:30. Preaching, 6:45, by pastor. Special invitation to all.

**Tabernacle Baptist Church**  
Sunday School—9:30 a. m.  
Preaching—11:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Sundays—2:30 p. m.  
Junior B. Y. P. U.—4:15 p. m.  
Senior B. Y. P. U.—6:00 p. m.  
Morning Subject: "Gethsemane of the Son of Man."  
A good attendance is expected, as the gas in now and the rooms will be well-heated.—REV. M. P. GATHRIGHT, Pastor.

**Program of the Senior B. Y. P. U. of the Tabernacle Baptist Church**  
Nov. 21, 1920, 6:00 P. M.  
The Senior B. Y. P. U. of the Tabernacle Baptist Church will render the following program this evening, 6:00 o'clock.  
Devotional Meeting—Subject: "Asking and Getting." Leader: Miss Nina Hawkins.

Scripture Lesson—Math. 7: 7-11, Luke 11: 9-13, James 4: 2, 3.  
Read by Miss Nellie Pickett, Zella D. Hays, Jo Hamilton. Introduction by leader.  
Topic 1—"God Can Satisfy Every Human Need." Pauline Boone.  
Topic 2—"The Primary Law of Prayer." Ed Holland.

Topic 3—"What Interferes With the Worker of the Law of Asking and Getting." M. E. Dillard.  
Topic 4—"Some Hindrances." R. H. Lumpkin.  
Conclusion by the leader.

A word to all the members: do not forget to do your daily Bible reading.

**Epworth League Program.**  
The Thanksgiving service of the Epworth League of Polk Street Methodist Church will be held in the Church Annex at 6 o'clock tomorrow evening, and the following program will be rendered:

Subject: "The Thanksgiving Habit." Scripture lesson: Psalm 122: 1-22. Leader: Mrs. M. F. Taylor.  
Prayer.  
Song service.  
Comments on the Psalm: "A Psalm of the Inner Life." Mrs. M. F. Taylor.  
"Story of the First Thanksgiving." Mildred Armstrong.  
Piano solo: Nell Gardner.  
"The Place of Thanksgiving in Prayer." Ruth Story.  
Vocal solo, Grace Knapp.  
General discussion: "The Thanksgiving Habit, How to Form and Maintain It."

Announcements.  
League benediction.  
A hearty welcome awaits all young people of the city.  
**THOMAS E. STROUD,** President.

**Houston Street Methodist Church**  
Sunday School—9:45 a. m.  
Preaching—11:30 a. m.  
Prayer Meeting, Wednesday—7:00 p. m.

**Special Music at Polk Street Methodist Church.**  
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**MORNING.**  
Prelude—Allergo Pumpo. . . . . Gabriel  
Anthem—"Brightest and Best." . . . . Coombs  
Violin obligato, Mrs. Lole Tharp.

Special obligato solo, Mrs. Newby.  
Organ—Waggoner. . . . . Schubert  
Postlude in C. . . . . Rockwell  
**EVENING.**  
Prelude—"To Spring." . . . . Grieg  
Anthem—"Hail to the Lord's Anointed." . . . . Andrews  
Offertory—"Twilight Devotion." . . . . Pease  
Solo—"Beyond the Dawn." . . . . Sanderson  
Alto Blanton.

Sermon.  
Solo—"His Eye is on the Sparrow." . . . . Gabriel  
Song. . . . . Mr. Waddill.

**Sunbeam Program, First Baptist Church**  
Sunday, November 21st  
Topic—Thanksgiving.  
Song—America.  
Reading—James Gordon.  
Prayer of thanks for our country.  
Story—"How Thanksgiving Came to Be."

Song—Cornelius Smith.  
Roll Call—Answer With Names  
Things for Which We Are Thankful.  
Piano Solo—Marion Phillips.  
Song—Joy Hardy.  
Reading—Ellen Lucile Bruner.  
Sentences—Prayers of Thanksgiving.  
Business.  
Song—"A Child's Thanksgiving."  
Closing Prayer.

**Polk Street Methodist Episcopal Church South**  
Corner of Polk and Eighth Streets  
HENRY F. BROOKS, P. D., Pastor  
9:45 a. m., Sunday School; Hon. F. P. Works, Superintendent.  
11:30 a. m., Sermon by the Pastor.  
Subject: "The Daughters of Zion."  
4:15 p. m., Epworth League; Thomas E. Stroud, President.  
Special program.  
7:15 p. m., Sermon by the pastor.  
Subject: "Open Windows."  
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**Buchanan Street Methodist Church**  
Sunday School—10 a. m.  
Preaching—11 a. m. and 6:45 p. m.  
A cordial welcome is extended to all.—REV. G. J. IRVIN, Pastor.

**Second Baptist Church**  
410 N. Pierce  
Bible School—9:45 a. m.  
Worship Theme: "When Will This Worst Case?" 11 a. m.  
Juniors—2 p. m.  
Seniors—6:45 p. m.  
Evening Theme: "Will the Golden Rule Save?" 7 p. m.

The morning theme will deal with the darkness and unrest of the present age; when will cease; what will cause it to cease?

The evening theme concerns the meekness and the gentleness of the Golden Rule; the most standard of civilization.

The B. Y. P. U. urge all young people of the north side not enlisted elsewhere to join their union for good times and a thorough study of present-day Bible questions.—C. E. GRISWOLD, Pastor.

**Presbyterian Intermediate Christian Endeavor.**  
1002 TAYLOR STREET.  
3 p. m. Topic: "The Thanksgiving Habit." Leader, Betty Garner. Song service. Scripture reading: Ps. 102: 1-22.  
Discussion of topic. Reading by Mrs. Francis Campbell. Piano solo, Beasi-James. Substitution and discussion of plans for the work of the coming month. Song service. Mizpah.

**First Baptist Church.**  
In spite of the severe weather of last Sunday, there was a good attendance at Sunday school. Tomorrow ought to show an increase of at least 150. If you will be present, and others like you who haven't been attending, we will have the additional 150.  
The pastor will speak at the 11 o'clock hour on important problems as brought to light by the 121 Base convention. At the night service the pastor will preach on "How to Be a Consistent Church Member." Every member of the church ought to be present. The ordinance of baptism will be administered the first part of the evening service. There ought to be a number ready for the ordinance.  
At 6 o'clock the B. Y. P. U.'s meet.

The Bureau of the Canyon City Baptist church are to be the guest of Mrs. A. E. Cullum, and will visit the B. Y. P. U. of our church Sunday night. There should be a full attendance and a good program.  
The Junior B. Y. P. U. meets at 4 o'clock. The Sunbeams meet at 3 o'clock. A cordial invitation to strangers and any others, to worship with us. The orchestra will begin to play promptly at 7 p. m.

**St. Andrew's Episcopal Church.**  
Ninth and Fillmore Streets.  
Rev. Robert N. MacCallum, Rector.  
Sunday, next before Advent. Holy communion, 7:30 a. m.; church school, 9:30 a. m.; morning prayer; literary and sermon, 11 a. m.; evening prayer and address, 7:30 p. m.

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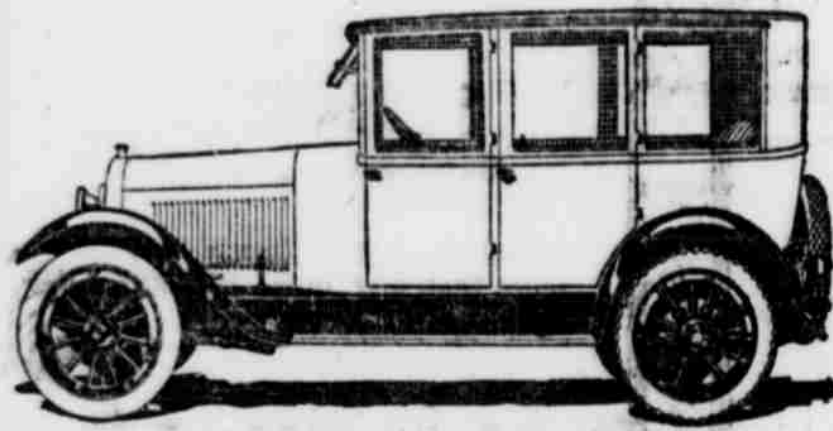
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